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AMA Charter Club #1822

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is the time of year that favors all of us that live close to the field. The weather is beautiful but can change in twenty minutes or twenty feet. Come out and enjoy the last of the good flying weather of 2013.

Last Sunday was the SAM FAMILY BBQ and fun fly. Thank you to Tom Richardi for a fine event. I am sorry to have missed it.

November 17 at 3:30 pm will be the last general membership meeting for SAM this year. At this meeting there will be elections of 5 Board Members for the coming year. If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like to cast your vote please see Steve Brown at the field for an absentee ballot.

At the October Board meeting the SAM board composed a budget for the 2014 year. I am pleased to announce that we see no need for a dues increase in the near future and that we will continue to have one of the best sites in the area. Our membership numbers have stayed constant in the last few years which is good, but is still below "the good old days".

Keep reaching out to your friends and show them what a great hobby we have.

Be Nice.....

DO YOU HAVE A VALID AMA CARD?

Remember: Our By-Laws and the County of Sacramento require a current AMA Card to fly at the S.A.M. site. Also did you know that your current status as a **member requires a valid AMA card?** If you do not have a current AMA Card in your possession or proof in the form of a fax or e-mail from AMA, **do not fly**. If you fly without AMA membership, you will be in violation of our rules and may be suspended from flying at the S.A.M. site. Contact the AMA at 1-800-435-9262 for membership when paying via credit card.

FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

Are you new to R/C flying? Or perhaps you need to brush up or even just want to talk with one of our "Pro's." SAM's corps of Flight Instructors stands ready to help you. You will usually find at least one of them at the flying site on Tuesdays or Fridays. You may call **Jim Lichtenberg** our Flight Instructor Coordinator at **916-681-5335** or e-mail at rcflyer999@comcast.net and he will arrange for the assistance you need. If **Jim** is not available, you can contact the Assistant Flight Instructor Coordinator, **Ron Davies** at **916-682-7902**. Or you can call our flight instructors directly.

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Welcome New Members

September

Joe Souza, Charles Goldman, Alexander Goldman (Junior Member), and Fred Weaver.

October

Gabe Gucho, and Raymond Gucho.

This brings our membership up to 155 this year. Note: The September new members were not included in the October SAM-antics.

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SAM-Antics SUBMITTALS

Deadline for submissions to the SAM Antics is the 27th of each month. Please send articles as Word text or as text in an email to Peg Sweeney at bowaeroduo@yahoo.com.

Submittals may be edited for content and length.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOV 17	Club Meeting at the Field	3:30 pm
DEC 14	SAM Club Christmas Party (Info on the next page)	7:00 pm

Sam's Christmas Party at "The Old Spaghetti Factory"

12401 Folsom Blvd, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

12-14-13 at 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm

\$20 per person (Limited to the first 45 pre-paid members and member's guest)

Orders and Money MUST be received by December 6, 2012

Please give the order to JR Schiager or call (916) 705-7775

All the entrees come with a crisp green salad and your choice of Balsamic Vinaigrette, Creamy Pesto or Blue Cheese dressings, fresh baked bread, coffee, ice tea, or milk and your choice of spumoni or vanilla ice cream.

Salad Dressing (Select one only)

- Balsamic Vinaigrett Creamy Pesto (Ranch) Blue Cheese

Dinner Plates (Select one only)

- Spaghetti with Tomato Sauce** – Italians would say "Marinara"
- Spaghetti with Rich Meat Sauce** – For purists – our recipe come straight from Naples
- Spaghetti with Mushroom Sauce** – Italian Marinara Sauce topped with seasoned sautéed Mushrooms
- Spaghetti with White Clam Sauce** – For the clam lover – with hints of white, fresh garlic and parsley
- Spaghetti with Brown Butter & Mizithra** – For purists – our recipe come straight from Naples
- Sicilian Meatballs & Spaghetti with Tomato Sauce** – 2 large roasted beef meatballs delicately seasoned and topped with Marinara Sauce
- Meat Lover's Treat** – Meatballs, Italian Sausage and Spaghetti with Rich Meat Sauce
- Baked Chicken** – Baked breast of chicken marinated in olive oil, garlic and lemon juice. Seasoned with oregano, served alongside spaghetti with browned butter and Mizithra cheese and Marinara Sauce
- Spaghetti Vesuvius** - A spicy and hearty combination of chicken, sausage and meatballs with mushrooms, green peppers and onions in a blend of sauces, seasoned with Tabasco and Cayenne pepper
- Angel Hair Pomodoro** – Diced tomatoes simmered with fresh onions, garlic and basil. Served over a bed of angel hair pasta, garnished with fresh basil and topped with shredded Romano cheese
- Chicken Penne** – Strips of marinated chicken breast with Marinara and Alfredo Sauces over penn noodles topped with shredded Romano cheese
- Garlic Mizithra** – Spaghetti with Mizithra cheese tossed with garlic, bacon and topped with sautéed mushrooms
- Baked Lasagna** – Made from scratch in our own kitchen – layers of Noodles, Marinara Sauce, freshly ground beef and pork and four kinds of cheese.
- Chicken Parmigiana** – A seasoned breast of chicken topped with melted cheese and Marinara and served with spaghetti with Marinara Sauce
- Fettuccine Alfredo** – Our own version of this classic dish – fettuccine noodles in a butter cream sauce with shredded Romano cheese
- Chicken Marsala** – A breaded breast of chicken with fresh mushrooms and Marsala wine, served alongside Spaghetti with Browned Butter and Mizithra cheese
- Spinich & Cheese Ravioli** – Tender pillows of pasta stuffed with fresh spinach and two kinds of cheese and topped with our savory Marinara Sauce
- Breast of Chicken Fettuccine** – Fettuccine topped with breast of chicken strips, fresh broccoli and mushrooms. Covered with Alfredo Sauce
- Spinach Tortellini with Alfredo Sauce** – Had shaped pasta, stuffed with delicious blend of meat and cheese

Desert (Select one only)

- Spumoni Ice Cream Vanilla Ice Cream

Name of Member or Guest - _____
(one person per order sheet)

Board Meeting October 15, 2013 Bigwood Residence 6:30 PM

Board Members Present: John Bigwood, JR Schiager, Frank Tanforan, Steve Brown, Dick Weston, Tom Richardi, Casey Smith, Sergio Varo, and Jim Smith.

John Bigwood opened the meeting by stating the problem that arose at a race where there was a Contest Director (CD) and a co-CD. And both the CD and the co-CD were in the same race; neither was available in case a CD was needed. After some discussion, **Frank Tanforan** moved and **JR Schiager** seconded the following motion as a change to SAM's event rules. "If the CD participates in an event, the CD and the co-CD must participate in different classes for the event". For example: Both the CD and the co-CD could not be racing in the Silver class of warbird races at an event. The board unanimously approved this addition to the event rules. Next the question of complimentary entry into events held at the field was covered. Currently, when a CD gives complimentary entry to an event, SAM does not receive its share of the entry fee as paid by other entrants. A motion was made and seconded that there be no change to the policy of granting complimentary entries to events based on the CD's discretion. This motion was voted on and failed to pass. Next a motion was made and seconded that events pay \$6.25 minimum for every entrant. This motion was voted on and passed. There was a highly philosophical discussion about the meaning of Rule 5. in SAM's event rules. The end result was that **Steve Brown** and **Frank Tanforan** were delegated to work on semantics and bring an update for consideration to the next board meeting.

Frank Tanforan brought up the fact that **Peg Sweeney**, the new newsletter editor has a spouse's membership in SAM and hence when dues remission time comes, she only saves \$10 while the previous editor saved his full dues. **Frank** suggested that the board consider giving her the option of paying her appropriate dues and letting her husband **Jim** receive the dues exemption. **John Bigwood** said he had also been approached on the same subject. An entertaining discussion resulted with such "good" ideas as having **Jim Sweeney** be the newsletter editor in name only with **Peg** stuck with doing all the dirty work. The best idea seems to give **Jim Sweeney** an Honorary Membership and have **Peg** receive the dues remission that she earns. All board members expressed a desire to do what is correct and appropriate for the newsletter editor. This item was tabled until next month's meeting when the subject of Honorary Memberships will be covered.

In December there is an informal board meeting where new and continuing members select officers for 2014. SAM bears the cost of this dinner. To save money, **John** "If it's smoking it's cooking, if it's burnt it's done" **Bigwood** volunteered to have the dinner at his home and to cook dinner provided he be reimbursed for expenses. Several board members remembered the great job he did last year and the hospitality he and his wife provided. This was a slam dunk. It was agreed to take **John** up on his generous offer.

Then it was on to the budget for 2014. Working as a team, the board went over expenditure categories one by one. Current year to date expenditures were extrapolated to give an indication of full year 2013 expenses. These values were then used in setting the totals for 2014. **JR** even contacted the lawn service provider and got a bid for 2014. This was negotiated down with help

from **Sergio, JR** and others. **John** and **Dick Weston** estimated that membership levels will stay about the same. This combined with event revenues make the budget for 2014 look reasonable,

Tom Richardi and others brought up the fact that the wood stove in the Auger Inn needs replacing and whether or not some funds should be budgeted for that action. **John Bigwood** said that item was being addressed and no budget action is necessary. He has a cousin who demolishes old cabins and he is looking for something useable for SAM.

JR was reminded that the Xmas dinner is approaching and if he wants to put something in the November newsletter, he needs to contact the editor. **JR** says he is still looking at various locations. All agreed that The Spaghetti Factory was adequate last year and to go that way. Time will tell.

Tom Richardi said that there will be a Family BBQ and a Funfly on October 27th at the field, other than that there were no details given. **John** prodded him to start posting flyers at the field.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Respectfully submitted
Frank Tanforan, Secretary

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS FIRST IMPRESSION

Club pride in our R/C facility is reflected in the comments of prospective members. They are impressed with the well groomed lawn, the shaded setup stations, the electrical outlets, and the well maintained runway. The attention to detail on each area indicates the engagement of the membership.

First impressions are very important when a prospective member is considering our club. When He or She first see the new club sign (which is impressive), next the size and usability of the shaded area, and the well maintained runway with protective fences, and marked flight stations.

When a prospective pilot is greeted by one of our friendly club members, given the general information about our club - including an application, the final decision to join the club generally relies on the of cost of membership, distance to field from home, and the congeniality of the membership. These considerations are all positive. Just ask our members.

Dick Weston - Membership director

EDITOR'S NOTE: There was a slight delay in getting this edition of the SAM-antics out. Please accept my apologies. Should be smoother next month.

Happy Thanksgiving